

17. (New) An optical filter according to claim 4, characterized in that the reflector of Littman-Metcalf configuration is a truncated dihedron.

18. (New) An optical filter according to claim 5, characterized in that the reflector of Littman-Metcalf configuration is a truncated dihedron.

19. (New) An optical filter according to claim 6, characterized in that the reflector of Littman-Metcalf configuration is a truncated dihedron.

REMARKS

The above amendments are being submitted to correct the multiple dependencies of the claims as filed. No new matter is being added. Clear support is found in the original specification and claims. Claims 1 - 19 are being submitted for consideration.

Accordingly, an early examination and a favorable action on the merits are respectfully requested.

Any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

6. (Amended) An optical filter according to one of the claims [1 to 5] 1 or 2, characterized in that it comprises a folding reflector doubling the number of passages of the light beam on the grating.

7. (Amended) An optical filter according to one of the claims [1 to 6] 1 or 2, characterized in that the reflector of Littman-Metcalf configuration is a planar mirror connected to a bi-prism.

8. (Amended) An optical filter according to one of the claims [1 to 6] 1 or 2, characterized in that the reflector of Littman-Metcalf configuration is a truncated dihedron.